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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the entire paragraph under "Related Application Data" with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~--The present application claims priority from provisional application Serial No. 60/117,394, having a filing date of January 27, 1999. This application is a divisional of application No. 10/229,778, filed August 28, 2002 which is a divisional of application No. 09/490,992, filed January 26, 2000, now issued U.S. Patent No. 6,476,595 issued on November 5, 2002, the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference, which claims the benefit of provisional application No. 60/117,394, filed January 27, 1999.--~~

Please replace the first paragraph on Page 6 of the application with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~--The circuit board assembly 30 contains the electrical components and circuitry for performing typical meter functions, such as that described in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/201,610, filed November 30, 1998 No. 6,577,961, issued June 10, 2003, entitled ENERGY METER HAVING PROGRAMMABLE FUNCTIONS (Attorney Docket No. ABME-0499), and incorporated herein by reference. Although the electrical components and circuitry of the circuit board assembly 30 can be any meter electrical components and circuitry that provide the desired functionality, an exemplary circuit board assembly having features in accordance with the present invention is now described.--~~